

HONOURABLE SRI JUSTICE N.V.RAMANA

WRIT PETITION No. 15852 of 2007

DATED: 26-07-2007

Between:

S.S.Appa Rao

...Petitioner

and

The Senior Regional Manager,
Food Corporation of India,
HACA Bhavan, Hyderabad and others

...Respondents.

THE HONOURABLE SRI JUSTICE N.V.RAMANA

W.P.No.15852 of 2007

Oral order:

The petitioner who is working with the respondents met with an accident and sustained multiple fractures to his legs. He was admitted in CDR Hospitals, Visakhapatnam, where he underwent treatment for 40 days. The petitioner states that he incurred an amount of Rs.16,848-48 ps for his treatment, and it is his grievance that though he submitted the medical bills, and made several representations, the latest being on 26-09-2006, till date, the respondents neither reimbursed the medical bills nor passed any orders on his representation.

The learned Standing Counsel appearing on behalf of the respondents submitted that since the petitioner has been submitting the medical bills without Medical Certificate from Specialized Doctor, they were being returned to him without being reimbursed. He submitted that as per Chapter 12(1)(a) of the Medical Reimbursement for O.P. Treatment for Prolonged Illness, an employee will be reimbursed eligible medical expenditure, provided a Medical Certificate is produced from the Specialist Doctor (i.e. Civil Surgeon) together with the O.P. Ticket (medicines prescribed) from the respective branches of the Government Hospital. Since the petitioner was merely submitting the medical bills, without enclosing the certificates as required above, the same were returned to the petitioner, vide letter dated 18-10-2006 addressed by the General Manager, to the Area

Manager. He submitted that even the latest representation dated 26-09-2006 of the petitioner, does not contain the requisite enclosures.

However, having regard to the fact that the representation of the petitioner dated 26-09-2006 is said to be pending, and having regard to the fact that the same is said to have been submitted without the requisite enclosures, I deem it appropriate to dispose of the writ petition with the following directions:

The respondents are directed to consider and dispose of the representation dated 26-09-2006 of the petitioner, and pass appropriate speaking orders for not reimbursing his medical bills, expeditiously, and communicate the same to the petitioner to enable him to take appropriate steps.

Accordingly, the writ petition is disposed of. No costs.

N.V. RAMANA, J

26th July, 2007

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